

**ABSTRACT**

A compact currency handling system comprising a transportation mechanism  
5 including a facing mechanism. The device comprises an evaluation unit adapted to determine  
denomination of currency bills. The system is adapted to rest on a table top and output  
currency to seven output receptacles based on denomination. The bills in each output  
receptacle are commonly faced by the transport mechanism which is adapted to face bills  
flagged for facing. Faced bills an non-faced bills are merged to output the various output  
10 receptacles, wherein output is based on denomination of a bill.